Madhya Pradesh proposal to use Sal forest for the Bodhghat Project

484. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Madhya Pradesh Government had submitted a proposal for the use of nearly six thousand hectares of the best sal forests in that State for the Bodhghat Project;

(b) whether it is a fact that earlier the State Government had reported that nearly 43 lakh trees would have to be destroyed for the project, which number they have reduced now; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to verify the discrepancy in the two reports of the State Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

Action taken against Central Government Employees in Assam

485. SHRI NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Government employees in Assam against whom action was taken for their support to the Assam movement;

(b) how many of them have been reinstated in accordance with clause 14(a) of the Assam Accord;

(c) whether it is a fact that in most of such victimisation cases the reasons for victimisation were shown as other than their support to the movement; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to reinstate the remaining persons?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) to (b) Necessary information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Infiltration of Bangladeshi Nationals into the Border District of Bihar

486. SHRI PRAVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a large-scale infiltration of Bangladesh nationals into the border districts of Bihar;

(b) whether it is also a fact that more than ten lakh Bangladeshis have infiltrated into the Purnea district alone; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken by Government to stop this large-scale infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals into Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) to (c) No district of Bihar borders Bangladesh. However on acount of considerable length of Indo-Bangladesh border, intrusion from Bangladesh through West Bengal into various States including Bihar, cannot be ruled out. Some Bangladeshis may have infiltrated into the district of Purnea also. State Government has standing instructions to expel, push back Bangladeshi infiltrants as soon as they are detected. Moreover, number of Border Out Posts has been increased, sophisticated gadgets have been provided and Mobile Task Force has been augmented and action is being taken to further augment the Border Security Force.

Utilisation of the Funds Sanctioned for Creation of posts in Pondicherry

487. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how much amount of the sanctioned funds for the Union Territory of Pondcherry for the creation of posts has been utilised by the departments for the purpose and how much amount was diverted or transferred for the purchase of furniture, vehicles and other items during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86; and

(b) whether the Union Territory of Pondicherry has surrendered any amount

to the Central Government in the financial years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTEMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Deaths in Swimming Pools in Delhi's Hotels

488. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any investigations into the recent accidents in two swimming pools in Delhi's posh hotels which claimed the lives of two young persons;

(b) if so, the outcome of the enquiry; and

(c) what are the guidelines for the maintenance of swimming pools to prevent drowing incidents etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In one ease, an inquest was carried out by the local police, During inquiry, no foul play was suspected and the postmortem examination was waived ofl on the request of the parents of the deceased.

In the other case, the postmortem report has confirmed the cause of death as by drowning. The inquest proceedings u/s 174 Cr.P.C. are being conduoted. The management of both the swimming pools have been directed not to operate the pools till they ensure safety measures.

(c) A statement is enclosed.

Statement

Conditions of licence for a Swimming Pool

(1) The licensee shall not allow more than 40 persons (beginners) in the shallow end and 5 persons in each lane of 2.5 Mtr. width in a full sized pool i.e. 50 Mtr. In smaller pools 20 persons be allowed in the shallow end and 3 persons in each lane.

(2) The licensee shall comply with the regulations of the Delhi Administration's notification No. 1517/Spl. Cell|PHQ dated 23-6-1980 framed for controlling the Swimming pools in the Union Territory of Delhi.

(3) The licence shall be valid for a period of one year, but in no case shall the validity of a licence extend beyond the 31st day of December next following the date of grant of this licence.

(4) The licensee shall provide necessary life saving appliances to guard against drowining and also fire-fighting appliances on the premises.

(5) The licensee shall comply with the orders and directions as may be issued to him from time to time by the Commissioner of Police.

(6) The licensee shall provide separate bath-rooms and dressing rooms for males and females in such number and of such dimensions as may be specified by the licensing Authority.

(7) The licensee shall provide and maintain showers in the bath-rooms.

(8) The licensee shall keep the water in the pool clean and change it at short intervals as directed by the Commissioner of Police.

(9) The licensee shall keep ready at hand atleast two buoys whenever, the pool is being used by a beginner.

(10) The licensee shall keep and maintain on the premises of the pool a First Aid Box containing necessary material.

(11) The licensee shall not make the swimming pool available to anyone for a purpose other than the one for which licence has been granted.

(12) The licensee shall not keep the swimming pool open after mid night or open it before 5'O' clock in the morning except with the special permission, in writing, from the Commissioner of Police.